

PROGRESS REPORT NO. 62

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RE: Upper Columbia River (UCR) Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study

(RI/FS) - Progress Report No. 62 Month Ending August 2011

Pursuant to Paragraph 39 of the June 2, 2006 Settlement Agreement (Agreement), the following is intended to provide a summary of the activities completed during the past month in compliance with the aforementioned Agreement. It is also intended to provide a brief summary of pending and on-going activities.

Validated beach sediment data have been submitted for EPA's Quality Assurance review. A draft data summary report incorporating all three years (2009, 2010, and 2011) of beach sediment data will be prepared and submitted for EPA's review in October. As requested, TAI has hosted several on-line meetings (GoToMeetingTM) to present information (e.g., sediment bed properties, sampling methods) detailed within the draft Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) for the Phase 2 Sediment Study (March 16, 2011). Collaborative efforts to evaluate 2010 (water-borne and sediment) white sturgeon data continue.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 509-892-2585.